

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please make the following amendments to the specification (material to be inserted in replacement paragraphs or sections is in underline, and material to be deleted is in ~~strikeout~~).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 2, as indicated below:

The present invention provides a method and device for securely mating a pair of socks. Viewing Figs. 1 and 2 together, sock 10 includes a pair of slits, or openings, 12a and 12b, through which a second sock 14 may be threaded. As illustrated in dashed lines in Figs. 1 and 2, and as discussed in more detail herein, the sock includes a swatch of material 16 that is attached to an internal surface of the sock and sized to extend behind a localized region of the internal surface of the sock proximate to the slits, with the swatch thereby preventing a wearer's leg from being visible through the slits when the sock is worn.